

**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING COMPUTER ACCESS  
WITH ELECTRONIC PAYMENT MECHANISM**

**Abstract of the Disclosure**

5        A method of public access computing comprises providing a computer system for accessing computer software applications, and selectively permitting access to the computer system with an electronic payment mechanism. A selective access computer system comprises a computing workstation having at least one software application and a selective access mechanism connected to the

10      workstation. The selective access mechanism is configured for obtaining electronic payment authorization for a user's financial instrument and for permitting selective access to the computer workstation upon payment authorization for the user.

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